

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) CASE NO. CR08-177-RSL
Plaintiff,)
v.)
RICHARD A. JANSEN,) DETENTION ORDER
Defendant.)

Offense charged: Conspiracy to Distribute Cocaine and Marijuana

Date of Detention Hearing: June 11, 2008

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the community.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

1. Defendant has been charged with a drug offense the maximum penalty of which is in excess of ten years. There is therefore a rebuttable presumption against defendant as to both

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01 dangerousness and flight risk, under 18 U.S.C. §3142(e).

02 2. Defendant is a Canadian citizen. He is a co-owner of Scorpion Transport Services
03 Ltd. The Indictment charges that defendant worked with the conspiracy to provide a legitimate
04 cover for the transport of marijuana across the international border. The defendant was arrested
05 on June 5 while he was allegedly observed transporting approximately 349 pounds of marijuana
06 to a warehouse in Bellingham, as well as \$50,000 in Canadian currency which the government
07 alleges was meant to be paid as a bribe to a border inspector. The government alleges that
08 defendant is part of a sophisticated international drug trafficking organization and that
09 approximately 7300 gross pounds of marijuana with a street value of \$18 million and
10 approximately 1300 gross pounds of cocaine with a street value of \$12 million have been seized
11 from drug trafficking operations conducted by the organization. The government alleges a long-
12 standing relationship between this defendant and the leaders of the organization.

13 3. Although defendant has strong ties to the British Columbia community in which
14 he lives, he has no ties to this District. His employment is as co-owner of the transport company
15 alleged to be involved in the drug conspiracy.

16 4. Taken as a whole, the record does not effectively rebut the presumption that no
17 condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as
18 required and the safety of the community.

19 It is therefore ORDERED:

20 (1) Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the
21 Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent
22 practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody

01 pending appeal;

02 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with
03 counsel;

04 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the
05 Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is
06 confined shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of
07 an appearance in connection with a court proceeding; and

08 (4) The clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to
09 counsel for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States
10 Pretrial Services Officer.

11 DATED this 11th day of June, 2008.

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14 Mary Alice Theiler
United States Magistrate Judge